PRESBYTERIAN EDITOR.
Rev. Stewart M. Robinson.

THE PRESBYTERIAN ELECTS ROBINSON

Elizabeth, N. J., Pastor Chosen to Succeed Father as Editor of Church Weekly.

HAS BEEN ACTING IN POST

Was Varsity Oarsman and Honor Student at Princeton—Chaplain Overseas.

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

PHILADELPHIA, April 15.—The Rev. Dr. Stewart M. Robinson, pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, Elizabeth, N. J., has been elected editor of The Presbyterian, national denominational weekly published in this city. The periodical is 104 years old. Dr. Robinson succeeds his father, the Rev. Dr. W. Courtland Robinson, now of Delhi, N. Y., who retired from the editorship early last Fall because of his health. His son has been acting editor.

The election of the younger Mr. Robinson took place yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the directors of The Presbyterian at the Pennsylvania Athletic Club here. William Albert Harbison of New York City presided. A telegram was sent after the session to Dr. Robinson notifying him of his election. He had gone to Chambersburg, Pa., to preach today.

Acceptance by Dr. Robinson will not interfere with his continuing as pastor of the Elizabeth church, which is one of the largest in the Presbyterian Synod of New Jersey.

The Rev. Dr. Stewart M. Robinson was born in Clinton, N. Y., where his father was pastor, July 21, 1893. He was graduated from Princeton University in 1915, summa cum laude and third in his class. He was twice awarded his varsity letter as a member of the university crew. He was graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1918. He won the Gelston-Winthrop Foreign Study Scholarship in the seminary.

In January, 1918, he was ordained by the Presbytery of Philadelphia. He was commissioned and sent overseas to become chief chaplain of the Seventy-eighth Division. While associated with the British armies on Vimy Ridge he was mentioned by the British chief chaplain, Canon Harry Blackburne, now a chaplain to King George V and Canon of Windsor, for conspicuous service in connection with liaison between the chaplains of the two armies.

He became assistant at the Presbyterian Church of the Covenant, Cleveland, Ohio. He was called to the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church, Lockport, N. Y., remaining seven and a half years. He began his Elizabeth pastorate Jan. 1, 1929.

In 1917 Dr. Robinson married Miss Anne MacGregor Payne of Rochesetr, N. Y. They have five children. The manse is at 23 Kempshall Place, Elizabeth.

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Correspondence relative to taking over
"The Presbyterian" June 1933.

Dr. Robinson:

This will serve to acknowledge your letter of March 27, together with the excerpt from Miss McKinney's letter to you.

WAH/

March 29, 1933.

Mr. Hugh R. Monro,
Montclair National Bank,
Montclair, N. J.

Dear Mr. Monro:

I am in receipt of the formal notice of March 24th signed for you as Secretary by Miss McKinney, with reference to the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Presbyterian Publishing Company, due to be held April 4, and of necessity postponed until later notice.

It forcibly calls to my mind the necessity of a meeting of the Directors as well as of the stockholders. Letters indicating great distress have been coming from both Dr. Robinson and Miss McKinney. No definite word has come from Pittsburgh that would give any indication that the Banner is prepared to throw in its lot with the Presbyterian. Their attitude remains the same as it always has been.

We have reached a point where it looks to me as if the best thing that can be done will be to negotiate with Dr. Craig for the best terms that could be made with him for assuming the responsibility of the paper. Personally I do not know whether he will consider it now. At least I am afraid he will not relieve me of the notes for $6,000 which he holds against payment of salary due him. He would have accepted my stock in payment of my notes some time ago, but he feels now that we have run up further obligations so that he cannot do as he would have done before these obligations were incurred.

Nevertheless, as it stands now, it looks very much as if the paper is going to the wall. I am as helpless, and more so, as far as being able to help it myself, as at any time last year or since September of a year ago. Personally I would rather see it go into the hands of Dr. Craig than to fall into the hands of the Presbyterian Banner. Therefore, it seems to me that we should have a meeting of the Board of Directors and a stockholders meeting at a very early moment now, and come to final decisions. This letter is being sent to the following persons: Dr. Robinson, Dr. McEwan, Mr. Crutchfield, Mr. Thompson, Dr. Hodge, and Miss McKinney.

Will those receiving this letter kindly indicate by letter to me or to Mr. Monro, Secretary, date most suitable for holding the meeting?

Greatly appreciating the serious consideration of each of those receiving this letter, I am

Very sincerely yours,

W. Albert Hutchison

WAH/L.

W. COURTLAND ROBINSON, D.D.

EDITORIAL ROOMS

THE PRESBYTERIAN

1217 MARKET STREET, PHILADELPHIA

Dallas Tex
Mar 31.

Dear Stewart;

It looks to me that the Presbyterian is expiring. I am deeply humiliated and sorry. I enclosed letter from Harrison.

If convenient perhaps you can have a talk with Munro. It will do no good but it might be worth it.

I feel that Harrison and Munro have mismanaged. Pittsburgh has done nothing. Crowell has pulled out. It is just too bad. They owe me $4000 which I need. Old papa is not having a nice time in his old age.

Love to you all

Yrs W.C.R.

W. COURTLAND ROBINSON, D.D.
EDITORIAL ROOMS
THE PRESBYTERIAN
1217 MARKET STREET, PHILADELPHIA

Dallas Tex
Apr. 17. 1933

Dear Stewart: Enclosed find minutes of meeting of directors. I did not go. Crowell was there to my surprise — I am willing to get out if they pay me what is owed me. I am tired of such an incompetent bunch. I think Craig will take it, which is better than Bauman. I will write Harbison tonight for pay. I will then quit June 1st. Do not allow yourself to get mixed in for bankruptcy is surely a head. You send in Assembly Account and demand your pay. They get that is enough from you. Pittsburgh together — chatter, do nothing. The men are absent — not interested. I am Board is for Christianity. Today the 3500 too if Craig will pay me. If not I will sue. They owe me — I cannot get here to Hoboken let alone All will go to hell. Love to all W.C.R.
money & Belfast.

#2-Minutes Adjourned Meeting
Board Trustees, Presbyterian Publishing Co., May 12,1933.

Dr. Laird expressed the opinion that we should make certain stipulations in further conference with the Banner as to constitution, place, editorship, etc. If such stipulation were not yet made, it was his belief that the consolidated paper would be published in Pittsburgh and dominated by Pittsburgh.

With the exception of the President of the Board, Dr. McEwan, whose attitude was that of the majority of the Committee reporting, each man present, in one way or other, spoke in somewhat similar strain to the remarks of Dr. Laird. At this point Dr. Laird made the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

"Resolved that the Board is unwilling to continue the negotiations on the basis of the report of the Committee, but does empower its Committee to pursue the matter with further conferences, looking toward consolidation on condition that the board of the Banner is willing to agree that the combined paper shall adopt the constitution of the Presbyterian, and that the name, The Presbyterian, shall be the name of the consolidated paper.

At this point a letter of resignation from Dr. Robinson, the editor of the paper was read, but expressing his willingness to continue, if urgently desired by the Board. A resolution was offered by Dr. Laird, seconded by Dr. Greenway, as follows:

"Resolved that we accept the resignation of Dr. Robinson to take effect on the appointment of his successor. Be it further resolved that an expression be embodied in the minutes of the Board's deep appreciation of the self-sacrificing efforts of Dr. Robinson in his work in behalf of the Presbyterian as its editor."

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

It was regularly moved, seconded and adopted that the President of the Board of Trustees appoint a committee to recommend an editor or editors as Dr. Robinson's successor.

It was regularly moved, seconded and adopted that each Director send in an eligible list of names to whom Miss McKinney can send out financial appeals in behalf of the Presbyterian, and further that each Director do what he can immediately to raise further financial support for the Presbyterian.

It was suggested that the Secretary Pro Tem send out copies of the minutes confidentially to all the members of the Board of Trustees.

It was moved, seconded and adopted that the Board continue to carry on the work of the Presbyterian Publishing Co. until the doors are closed against us, following out the several possibilities suggested of consolidation or absorption of the Banner, and Christianity To-day, or of carrying on alone, and if found more economical, having the paper printed elsewhere than by the Publishing Company's plant.

CONFIDENTIAL

MINUTES OF THE ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

of the

PRESBYTERIAN PUBLISHING CO.

HELD AT THE PENN ATHLETIC CLUB, MAY 12, at 10:00 A.M.

Present: Dr's Laird, Hodge, Burrell, Greenway, McEwan, Craig, Messrs. Crowell and Harbison.

The meeting was opened with prayer by Dr. Burrell.

W.A.Harbison was elected Secretary Pro Tem of the meeting in the absence of Hugh R. Monro.

Report of the Chairman of the Committee (Dr. McEwan), appointed to confer with the Banner Committee on the question of consolidation was then read by the Secretary Pro Tem. The Committee, composed of Dr. McEwan, Chairman, and Messrs. Crutchfield, Thompson, and Harbison, reported as follows:

That they had entered into a tentative agreement with the Banner Committee whereby the Presbyterian was to appoint ten men as its representatives on a new board to be formed, and the Banner to appoint ten men as its representatives on the new board. The new board was to have full power as to the name of the consolidated paper, the place where it was to be published, policy, editorship, etc. At this point Mr. Harbison explained that he had not voted either way at the conference of the two committees in Pittsburgh. He called attention to the fact that the Presbyterian has a paid circulation of 9,000 in contrast with a paid circulation of 6,000 of the Banner on the admission of the Banner; that the Presbyterian has a national circulation as compared with a more localized circulation of the Banner, and that the Presbyterian has certain assets in the form of printing machinery, which the Banner does not have; that under these circumstances he felt that the Presbyterian would have been justified in stipulating a majority control in any new board that is formed, etc., but that he had not wished to oppose the majority action of the Committee, and so had not voted.

A general discussion followed, every one of those present taking part in the discussion.

During the course of the discussion Dr. Craig was requested to explain his letter written to Mr. Harbison the previous week, suggesting consolidation of Christianity To-day with the Presbyterian. It developed that Christianity To-day has a paid circulation of about 4,000; that perhaps 3,000 of the 4,000 were paid by contributors. It further developed that many of the subscribers of Christianity To-day were also subscribers to the Presbyterian, and that probably in the case of consolidation the circulation of the Presbyterian would be increased by only about 2,000. This of course, was more or less conjecture. It further developed that it might be quite possible for the editor or editors to be selected, satisfactory both to the Presbyterian and to Dr. Craig, the editor of Christianity To-day.

#3-Minutes Adjourned Meeting
Board Trustees, Presbyterian Publishing Co.

May 12, 1933.

In the failure to adopt any one distinctive plan, it was not thought wise to convene the stockholders' meeting for the election of Directors for the ensuing year. In the absence of such meeting the present Board continues until the adjourned stockholders' meeting is convened, and the election takes place.

Respectfully submitted to the Board for possible correction.

Mr. Albert Harrison
Secretary Pro Tem. pro tem.

WAH/L.

WM. ALBERT HARBISON
"CLOVELLY"
SOUNDVIEW AVENUE
WHITE PLAINS, N. Y.

May 15, 1933.

Dr. W. C. Robinson,
Delhi, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

Since returning to New York I have your letter of May 11th. We had quite a long, all-day session in Philadelphia, and the report of the Committee was not accepted as it came in. The Committee, although I did not vote one way or the other on the question in Pittsburgh, agreed with the Banner Committee to present a plan of each board appointing ten men, and in our case it would mean dropping five men, and in their case it would mean putting on about six or seven men. They submitted the names of their men to us and our Committee agreed to present the matter to our Board, and they to Dr. Edwards. The other three men of the Pittsburgh contingent seemed to be for going through with the matter, but I expressed myself in a way that I did not believe, inasmuch as the Banner had only 6,000 paid circulation, and we 9,000; and as we had a national circulation as compared with their local, and as we had other assets, even though both sides came in with their debts paid, even from the material side we were justified in maintaining ~~anything~~ nothing less than control in the number of directors, etc. I thought that had Dr. Edwards been there, he would see that no dignity would be lost in his point in agreeing to such a position. They said he was accustomed to paying his way and would rather see the paper abandoned and we take over the circulation than to go through except on a 50-50 basis. Our board took a similar position in spite of Dr. McEwan's apparent approval of the plan.

Unfortunately Mr. Monro was not at the meeting. I took the minutes and will send them confidentially to the members of the Board and yourself. The Board accepted your resignation with highest appreciation of your splendid self-sacrificing services in carrying on as editor of the paper under such trying conditions, the resignation to take effect upon the appointment of your successor.

It seems now that Dr. Craig is very much more amenable to our getting together and that it will be possible with an editor whom we shall choose, who will be satisfactory to Christianity To-day, that Christianity To-day may be conbined with The Presbyterian as a weekly - in other words, we absorb them. There will be difficulties here, as of course, there are many duplications and possibly by the time we get through, their paid circulation will not add more than 2,000 to us. Dr. Craig seemed to think they had 4,000 or possibly 3,000 of a paid circulation, perhaps 1,000 of the 4,000 paid by others. But with duplications

and those who would be unwilling to pay the $2.50 where they are now paying $1.00 for the monthly, probably we would not get more than 2,000 out of it.

A resolution was passed asking that each Director send in names to Miss McKinney, of people who would be able to make a response to an appeal for the paper. I have already sent in some Pittsburgh and New York names. Of course, the paper does have several thousand names which go back to the Buchanan Committee fighting for the Princeton Conservation some years ago, and some of these names might be followed up, as I have suggested to Miss McKinney.

Each Director was also directed to use every means in his power to secure funds for the paper. Dr. Burrell said that he would actively go into this matter in Williamsport in the hope of raising some money.

Unfortunately Mr. Crowell seems determined, ultimately, to retire. His plan was to do it when we succeeded in combining the Banner with the Presbyterian. I supposed that his resignation,from some intimation he made, was due to his fear of uniting with the Banner and our losing out in our own ideals and purposes, but it developed at the meeting Friday that that was not the case. I am going to write him and ask him, if I turned over a block of stock to him (he certainly is entitled to stock) whether he would not continue to function as a Director and active backer of the Presbyterian. He feels that it is not possible to do what we have had in mind for the last two or three years since he has been actively with us, and develop a great paper that will command the confidence of the church at large and prove its value from that standpoint. Therefore, he is for retiring. I tell him that if we took that position with regard to sending missionaries to China, because the Chinese did not want them there, or there was not a great popular demand for them, there would never have been a Christian movement there or anywhere else.

I am still hoping and praying that he may change his determination, but it does not at present writing appear as if he would do so. He has certainly been generous in contributing when others have simply failed to do a thing, such as myself, and I deeply appreciate his self-sacrificing effort, even though it has not met all the obligations of the Presbyterian.

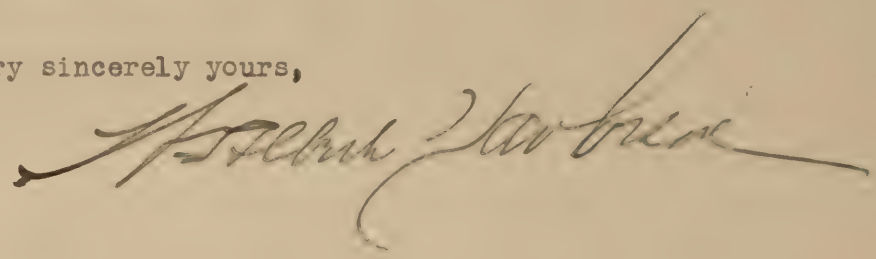
We also voted to continue the paper and continue the efforts for consolidation, etc., and for a cheaper method of printing, if possible, for the sake of economy, and to carry on until the doors are actually closed upon us if such should happen. In the meantime the heavy tonnage business is beginning to change, and it may be if we can only hold on long enough, that the other paper will succumb and we would come through. I am sure you

liberal

would rejoice with all of us if that should eventuate. I do not see how we can do otherwise than liquidate our indebtedness and also prevent its increasing to any extent, or we would not be justified in continuing at all. The Board will have to be kept advised, of course, as to the exact situation from month to month.

With highest personal regards, I am

Very sincerely yours,



WAH/L.

Elizabeth New Jersey April 19th, 1933.

Dr. Stewart T. Robinson,
Second Presbyterian Church,
Elizabeth, N.J.

Dear Doctor;-

The members of the Second Presbyterian Church, in Annual Parish meeting assembled, this evening, have authorized that a letter be sent to you expressing our great satisfaction of the splendid work you have accomplished during the year just closed. Your untiring effort for the welfare of this church and its members is something that is above the average and we want you to know that while at times the way may seem to be hard, you have the support and co-operation of every member and we know that under your gracious leadership we are bound to go forward.

We also want to express to you our great appreciation of your magnanamous co-operation with reference to the budget of the coming year. We truly hope that conditions will be such at the next Parish Meeting that this may be fully restored to you.

Please accept this letter as an expression of our love and loyalty to the man who is doing a great work in this City of Elizabeth.

Sincerely yours,

Members Second Presbyterian Church
Elizabeth, N.J.

William J. Jarvis

Secretary - Parish Meeting.

Resolved that we the Session of the Second Presbyterian Church congratulate our Pastor, Dr. Stewart M. RObinson on his election to the position of Editor of the Presbyterian. We extend to him our wishes for success and pledge him our cooperation in the work.

THE MONTCLAIR NATIONAL BANK

MONTCLAIR, N.J.

HUGH R. MONRO
PRESIDENT

April 28, 1933

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I wish to thank you for writing me your views in regard to the Presbyterian. The Directors are to meet in Philadelphia next week, when these issues must be definitely faced.

I share with you the opinion that our paper exercises an influence altogether out of proportion to its circulation and its testimony is greatly needed in the present crisis. The financial situation, however, has grown most acute and the majority of the Directors are facing such pressing personal problems that they find it entirely impossible to assist.

I would be sorry to see the paper go over to Dr. Craig, as this would mean a return to the bitter controversies which have so damaged our cause in the past. I would be just as strongly opposed to any merger with the Banner unless this union could be effected on the basis of the principles to which the Presbyterian is committed and leave entire freedom of action. I understand that the personnel of the Banner Board has so changed that they are willing to accept our platform without qualification and would also be content with a minority representation on the Board. This, I feel, opens up a prospect which is worthy of careful consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Hugh Robinson

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, D. D.,
Second Presbyterian Church,
East Jersey Street, near Broad,
Elizabeth, N. J.

May 22, 1933

My dear Mr.Harbison:-

I am taking the liberty of suggesting to the Board of Trustees of THE PRESBYTERIAN that I be considered for the Editorship of the paper:-

(1) I think in this way the faithful work which my Father has done for the paper will in this way be recognized and endorsed. He has served as great personal sacrifice of comfort, and has to-day a very large following among the readers. I was recently in contact with Miss Rachel McDowell of the N.Y.Times and was amazed to see the devotion she has for Father and his work. It seems to me that I can conserve and hold all that Father has won for the paper and at the same time provide a new voice and meet the situation from a new angle.

(2) I am already thoroughly familiar with the paper and its workings, having been continuously associated with it week by week for some time. I know the office, have been over the subscriber lists, listened to much of the correspondence concerning it, and am almost every way cognizant of its nature and place.

(3) No one, I take it, will question my conservatism. Montrose is conservative and I am invited as one of their platform speakers this summer. Week by week my writings appear in the paper and I think no word has ever come in against them on the score of their doctrinal trend.

(4) I am less than forty. I was a classmate of Mr.Barnhouse, studied under Dr.Machen and know not only most of Father's generation of churchmen but most of the younger generation as well.

(5) I am located conventiently to both New York and Philadelphia and get about among men and church activities.

(6) I am pastor of a large and thriving church over which I minister with great care. I know the pastoral side of church life in an intimate way. I still call faithfully upon all my members (2000 calls in fifteen months) and we maintain preaching services to good audiences twice each Lord's Day right around the year not omitting the mid-week service once during that time either.

(7) I am A.B. Princeton Univ. 1915, M.A. same institution 1918, B.D. Princeton Theol. Seminary 1918. I graduated third in my class, Summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa. I won my college letter twice in crew, and was active in campus Christian work. I was a Senior Chaplain in France with the A.E.F. and am mentioned by the Chaplain to King George V in his record of conspicuous service among the army chaplains. My pastoral service has embraced (1) Assistant in Cleveland at the Church of the Covenant, (2) 7½ yrs. at Lockport, and am now in 5th yr. here in Elizabeth. in 19 9 Tusculum College gave me the degreeof D.D. I have spoken at colleges to student audiences, and at summer conferences at Northfield, Stony Brook and am booked for Montrose.

(8) I can serve THE PRESBYTERIAN at a nominal stipend and am eager to do what I can to bring that paper back to the place it deserves to hold because of its power, prestige and standing.

In general from my obersvation it seems to me that THE PRESBYTERIAN needs right now the quiet steady hand of a young man who will treat it as a church and build it up by sound doctrine, careful work among its constituency, some striking issues along conservative lines to win back its old time large following of subscribers. I think it can be run practically on its natural income once the ground work can be built in.

I should be sorry to see it combine with either the Banner or Christianity To-day because THE PRESBYTERIAN is the leader among them all and stronger to-day than both the others to-gether.

I think I can turn out a sheet as clever and attractive as my friend's Barnhouse's Revelation, as valiant as Christianity To-day and withal maintain and advance the century old sterling silver

integrity of the grandest church paper of them all.

My name will continue the good will and following of my Father while it will win its own place in a short time. For I am known to our readers and have had many words of encouragement.

My age gives the prospect of a continued period of well-being for the paper over a long period in the future so far as God gives us the future.

This evening I am leaving for Columbus to be the official representative of THE PRESBYTERIAN at the General Assembly as well as a commissioner. My address there will be at the Neil House, and I should be glad to have a letter from you if you can find time to send one during the next week. Doubtless I shall see Dr.McEwan.

By the way I think I have a rather friendly contact with Mr.Crowell in the fact that there are two sisters, one of whom is with Mr.Crowell, and the other is my secretary. I could go to Chicago to see Mr.Crowell from Columbus if necessary. I think I understand his point of view with regard to the paper and I am in sympathy with his zeal for a certain kind of continuous evangelical emphasis.

Father has consistently spoken of your personal loyalty and self-sacrificing backing of the cause with the most profound admiration. He is badly broken by his efforts on behalf of THE PRESBYTERIAN. I think he is deeply disappointed. But I do not share his discouragement, and I think I can lead you people out of these times to a big future for the cause we all are so deeply committed to.

With warm personal regards, I beg to remain,

Respectfully yours,

Mr. Wm.A.Harbison,
"Clovelly"
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HUGH R. MONRO
PRESIDENT

June 15, 1933

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I read your letter last evening with deepest interest. I have something of a reputation, myself, for carrying on a good many activities, but you seem to have established a new record at the recent Assembly. This multiplicity of responsibilities, however, does not seem to have interfered with the quality of your editorial output.

I am sorry to learn that you father has found it necessary to give up his editorial labors for a time and I trust the indisposition will be purely temporary. Meantime, the various plans you suggest should widen the interest of the paper and, perhaps, with these changes it would be a good time to make other adjustments, both in the physical makeup and departments. If you can spare an hour or two some day next week, I wish very much you would come over to lunch, so that we might talk over this matter.

You speak of securing some material relating to rescue work and your contact with Chief Justice Pound, and it occurs to me you might secure something very interesting in this connection from Judge Lewis Fawcett of the New York State Supreme Court. Judge Fawcett was for many years judge in the Juvenile Court and established the practice of requiring children to regularly attend Sunday School. I believe he has made the statement that only in one or two cases in his long experience was he called upon to sentence a boy or girl who was a Sunday School attendant.

I am glad the prospects are good to have you at least a day or two at Stony Brook.

Yours sincerely,

Hugh Monro

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, D. D.,
1161 East Jersey Street,
Elizabeth, N. J.

Delhi My. June 19. 1933

Dear Descendants:

I am especially instructed to write to you that you two children are choice, beautiful obedient and delightful from every point of view. None better anywhere.

Old grand pap – undersigned – seems to be improving. If I do not get worse I will get better.

Cold weather – decided change – We await The Pres. decision with interest. I am very grateful for your splendid help.

We love you each & all – all of us alending –

Yrs
WCR

THE MONTCLAIR NATIONAL BANK

MONTCLAIR, N.J.

HUGH R. MONRO
PRESIDENT

June 20, 1933

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I am glad to have your reassuring report regarding the condition of your father and it is quite evident he will require an extended period of rest and release from editorial responsibilities. It is most fortunate for the paper that you can assume these responsibilities so promptly and with such clear understanding of the need. I agree with you that a definite understanding for the future should be arrived at as soon as possible, and I am taking this matter up today.

I am enclosing a clipping which led me to suggest that Judge Fawcett might have something interesting to say on the subject of child training. I have had only a passing contact with the Judge and am without a clear idea as to just what you would require to fit in with the rest of your series. I would suggest, therefore, that you write him asking him if he will amplify these statements for your purpose. I would like the clipping back for my file when you are through with it.

Yours sincerely,

Hugh R. Monro

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, D. D.,
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HRM:S
Enclosure

SAMUEL G. CRAIG, Editor

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CHRISTIANITY TODAY

A PRESBYTERIAN JOURNAL DEVOTED TO STATING, DEFENDING AND FURTHERING THE GOSPEL IN THE MODERN WORLD

501 WITHERSPOON BUILDING

PHILADELPHIA

73 Stockton Street
Princeton, N.J.

Rev. Dr. Stewart M. Robinson
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I have read the correspondence between Dr. Machen and yourself relative to your request for a statement relative to the proposed new Board for Foreign Missions and am as little disposed as he is to have an article appear in "The Presbyterian" over my own signature, the circumstances being what they are. I may add that while I am a director of the Presbyterian Publishing Co. I am not advised as to your warrant for representing yourself as the "Acting Editor" of its publication.

Very sincerely yours

Samuel G. Craig

July 1, 1933

SAMUEL G. CRAIG, Editor

H. McALLISTER GRIFFITHS, Managing Editor

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73 Stockton St.
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Rev. Dr. Stewart M. Robinson

Second Presbyterian Church

Elizabeth, New Jersey

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I received your letter some days ago but in the press of other matters failed to answer it until today. I rather suspected that the explanation of your use of the phrase "Acting Editor" was somewhat as you relate but was desirous of having my suspicions confirmed. In view of the fact that the action of the Board was to the effect that your father's resignation take effect when his successor is elected it would seem that technically he is still the editor of "The Presbyterian". I am disposed to think, therefore, that it would have been better to have permitted his name to remain as editor and for you to have stated that you were acting in your father's behalf, pending the selection of a new editor by the Board. However this is probably a distinction without much of a difference. I trust your father's health continues to improve.

Very sincerely yours

Samuel G. Craig

July 14, 1933

HUGH R. MONRO
Sixty Lloyd Road
MONTCLAIR, NEW JERSEY

July 13/33

Dear Dr Robinson—

The letter from Dr Craig is inclusable and reflects a spirit which has in the past made things so difficult for those of us who have been associated with him and alienated many of the Presbyterian normal supporters. The last issue has much of new interest and your idea for the series of sermons is excellent. The only complaint I have heard is your apparent endorsement of the Parliament of Religions in the item among the News Comments. I called the critics attention to the heading however which implies the impossibility of these diverse groups getting along together.

There have been some recent developments which may mean new life for the paper. At least I think we are on the way to some financial relief—

Cordially
Hugh R. Monro

CAMP EAGLES EYRIE

LAKE PLACID, NEW YORK

Dr. Stewart Robinson

My dear Robinson

With very great satisfaction I learn that you are probably to succeed your father as editor of the "Presbyterian". You may be sure that all loyal Presbyterians will be delighted to cooperate with you in every way —

Yours faithfully

Charles R. Erdman

July 29. 33

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PHILADELPHIA

J. GRESHAM MACHEN

POST OFFICE ADDRESS
206 SOUTH THIRTEENTH STREET
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

September 1, 1933.

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, D.D.,
Second Presbyterian Church,
East Jersey St. near Broad St.,
Elizabeth, New Jersey.

Dear "Stew":

Please let me thank youfor your letter of August 24th. I cannot speak or write for publication in THE PRESBYTERIAN, for reasons that I have partly set forth to you; but I am altogether glad to confer in a personal way with those from whom I differ. With regard to the important questions raised in your letter, I think I cannot present my point of view better than by referring you to my articles in CHRISTIANITY TODAY. Certainly I do long for such a division in the present church organization as that the really Presbyterian and really Christian part of the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. shall be free of any ecclesiastical connection with the Modernist element. The only question is whether that is to be done by withdrawal of the Christian element from the present church or by the elimination of the Modernist element. Since the constitution of the church is still in accord with the Christian point of view, it is the latter course which many evangelical Christians in the church think still to be possible. One course it seems to me is quite impossible for any consistent Christian man -- namely, acquiescence in the present control of the boards and agencies of the church and a cessation from controversy in the church as at present constituted.

I am glad to hear of your renewed reading of Calvin, and I want to say that I do have a "friendly interest" in you and that I am glad you welcome such interest.

It seems to me that Dr. Wistar Hodge's position could be better set forth by Dr. Hodge himself than by me. You are well aware of the fact that I do not agree with his action in remaining at Princeton.

Thanks to the full directions which Mr. Munro gave me, I got back to New York after my lecture in excellent time.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Gresham Machen

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To Dr. Robert M. Johnson

Just personally congratulate you on elected Editor-in-Chief at Board Meeting. Congratulations. Confidence in good hands. Management and management know it can rely to support. Thank you for your advice and suggestions. Regards.

Robert Wood Johnson

Day letter Rockefeller Conference with Mr. New York

W. A. Hadley

PATRONS ARE REQUESTED TO FAVOR THE COMPANY BY CRITICISM AND SUGGESTION CONCERNING ITS SERVICE

J. HOWARD PEW
1608 WALNUT STREET
PHILADELPHIA

April 17, 1934

Dr. Stewart M. Robinson,
Second Presbyterian Church,
East Jersey Street, near Broad,
Elizabeth, N.J.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I have just returned to the office and find here your telegram of last Saturday.

I am very much discouraged and disgusted with the policy of the directors of The Presbyterian, in that they have missed an opportunity of combining with The Banner and really developing a worth while paper. Their failure to do so has convinced me that they are determined to follow a narrow and militant policy.

It is my opinion that two papers could not prosper in this field.

Sincerely yours,

J Howard Pew

JHP:B

Board of National Missions
of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.
156 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

April 19, 1934.

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, D. D.,
Second Presbyterian Church,
Elizabeth, N. J.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I saw in the papers a few days ago the announcement of your election as the editor of the PRESBYTERIAN and I wish to send you my congratulations and best wishes. You are well qualified for this responsibility and I hope you have accepted the election. Be assured of my personal interest and desire to help in every way possible.

With best wishes to you personally and to the paper, I am

Sincerely yours,

E. Graham Wilson,
General Secretary.

EGW:ES

J. HOWARD PEW
1608 WALNUT STREET
PHILADELPHIA

April 21, 1934

Dr. Stewart M. Robinson,
Second Presbyterian Church,
East Jersey Street, near Broad,
Elizabeth, N.J.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I have your letter of April 20th and regret that I will be unable to talk with you for a week or two until I get certain matters in Washington worked out.

I was interested in learning what you said about The Banner. It was, however, my feeling that until the differences of opinion between the policies of The Banner and those of The Presbyterian were ironed out, it would be impossible for either paper to succeed. If the fact that these two now widely divergent differences of opinion were reconciled, would bring in a large group, I would be willing to support the resultant paper.

Sincerely yours,

J. Howard Pew

JHP:B

PRESBYTERY OF ELIZABETH

HERBERT K. ENGLAND
STATED CLERK
117 FIFTH AVE., WEST

ROSELLE, N. J., April 24, 1934.

Rev. S. M. Robinson,
Second Presbyterian Church,
Elizabeth, N. J.

My dear Mr. Robinson:

Presbytery has directed me to extend to you its congratulatory hand upon your elevation to the editorship of the "Presbyterian". We shall now expect a rejuvenated magazine, with all the good advice and the good news and wise instruction of which your facile mind is capable. Here's hoping!

You also may be interested to know that the recommendation of the Presbyterial Council regarding Pompl was laid upon the table until the June meeting. The brethren seemed to be somewhat shy of our way of looking at it and, without any adequate or fair discussion, shelved the proposal temporarily. I hope that you will be present in June to give your opinion as to what is wise to do.

Always yours,

Herbert K England.

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825 WITHERSPOON BUILDING
PHILADELPHIA, PA.

April 25, 1934.

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, D.D.,
Second Presbyterian Church,
Elizabeth, New Jersey.

My dear Stewart:

I have not had opportunity to write you expressing my very great pleasure in the action of the Board making you Editor of The Presbyterian.

I feel that older men should take their hands off the policies and activities of our Church agencies as rapidly as possible and give to young men of vision and devotion their full opportunity. I am going to add one to the exodus of veterans next fall, when I retire from this Board, but you may rest assured that I shall be as active and sympathetic as ever with the things that are being done by the leaders of the new generation.

I shall be glad to be of any service I can to The Presbyterian at any time.

Sincerely yours,

WMCCovert

William Chalmers Covert
General Secretary

WCC/s

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DR. EDWARD B. HODGE
2019 Spruce Street
Philadelphia

April 26, 1934

Reverend S. M. Robinson
The Presbyterian Publishing Company
1217 Market Street
Philadelphia

Dear Mr. Robinson:

I meant long ago to write congratulating you on your election as Editor-in-Chief of The Presbyterian. It gives me great satisfaction to have you in that position, as it does all the other members of the Board except, as you know, Dr. Craig. I doubt if anyone could thoroughly satisfy him. We all agreed that you had done a great deal to improve the make-up and contents of the paper. I only wish we had a lot of money on hand to pay you a really good salary. However, I am hoping that things will gradually work around in that direction.

Do you think it would be a good thing to publish a little article on my pastor, Dr. Barnhouse's trip around the world, visiting the foreign mission stations? He naturally is giving it a good deal of publicity in "Revelation" and I am wondering if it might not be a good thing for us to run something. It would not hurt his feelings toward our paper, certainly, if we do. You can get any details that you want as to itinerary, etc., from the church office. This is just a suggestion and makes no difference to me really whether you act on it or not.

Be sure to let me know if there is anything I can do to help.

Yours sincerely,

Edward B. Hodge

The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America

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REV. LEWIS S. MUDGE, D.D., LL.D.
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April 27, 1934.

Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, D.D.,
East Jersey Street, near Broad,
Elizabeth, N.J.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

I have just learned with great interest of your election as Editor of The Presbyterian. This is a high honor worthily conferred and upon a man whose recognized abilities are adequate to meet the important obligations involved. I trust that you will find it possible to accept. As Editor you may be assured of my friendly interest and cordial cooperation.

With kind regards, believe me

Yours sincerely,

Lewis S. Mudge

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Stated Clerk.

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DR STEWART M ROBINSON=

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH EAST JERSEY ST NEAR BROAD

ELIZABETH NJ=

WITH YOUR BACKGROUND TRAINING AND DEDICATED YOUTH THE PRESBYTERIAN CAN BE THAT FREE INDEPENDENT PAPER THE CHURCH NEEDS SERVING AS AN OUTLET FOR HER HOPES FEARS AND PURPOSES AND A SPIRITUAL INTERPRETER OF PRESENT DAY HAPPENINGS WITHIN HER BOUNDS AND IN THE WORLD I WISH YOU JOY IN ACCEPTING EDITORSHIP=

WILLIAM CHALMERS COVERT.

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REV STEWART M ROBINSON ,SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH=

5813 EAST JERSEY ST NEAR BROAD ELIZABETH NJ=

I CONGRATULATE YOU ON YOUR ELECTION TO AND ACCEPTANCE OF THE EDITORSHIP OF THE PRESBYTERIAN IT IS A PAPER WITH NOBLE PRESBYTERIAN TRADITIONS WHICH OUGHT TO BE MAINTAINED AND I AM SURE THEY WILL BE UNDER YOUR DIRECTION YOUR OPENING EDITORIAL SOUNDS THE RIGHT NOTE AND RINGS TRUE TO PRESBYTERIAN FAITH AND LIBERTY MAY SUCCESS CROWN YOUR WORK=

JAMES H SNOWDEN.

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Gordon College of Theology and Missions
Boston, Massachusetts
Nathan R. Wood, President

Isabel Warwick Wood,
Dean of the Faculty

May 10, 1934.

Dr. S. M. Robinson,
The Presbyterian,
1217 Market Street,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

The Presbyterian means much to all of us who hold the evangelical faith. I am deeply interested in the great work which you are doing, and the witness which spreads out from your office over the country. It would be a privilege to have some share in it. I remember too yourvery gracious review of "The Secret of the Universe". It was one of those which seemed to me especially full of understanding of what the book was trying to do. All this is by way of accepting your invitation to write an article for The Presbyterian. I shall send it to you as soon as possible. I hope that it will be upon "The Secret of the Universe". I shall try to see that it reaches you within two or three weeks.

I shall look forward to meeting you if you are to be in New York at the time of the Summer School.

With warm personal good wishes, I am

Faithfully yours,

NRW.MCO

Nathan R. Wood

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DR STEWART M ROBINSON= 23 Kempel Pl

6043 EDITOR OF THE PRESBYTERIAN ELIZABETH NJ=

THE FACT THAT YOU ARE IN ACTIVE PASTOR AND EDITOR HAS ITS ADVANTAGES THE NEED OF THE HOUR IN THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IS FOR AN AGGRESSIVE CONSTITUTIONAL CONSERVATISM WHICH IS NEITHER MEAN NOR NARROW BUT WHICH HAS COMMON SENSE AND LOVE SPEAK THE TRUTH WITH LOVE GOD BLESS YOU=

HARISON RAY ANDERSON.

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DR STEWART M ROBINSON=

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=CONGRATULATIONS ON MANLY STRAIGHT FORWARD ANNOUNCEMENT OF PURPOSE TO GIVE NEWS ENCOURAGE SOUND AND ENLIGHTENED DISCUSSION DO YOUR OWN THINKING AND LET OTHERS THINK ALSO THAT YOU SEE SOCIAL AND POLITICAL IMPLICATIONS OF CHRISTIANITY BEST OF ALL LIKE YOUR FATHER YOU ACCENTUATE GOOD WILL STOP YOUR BROTHER EVEN IF ERRING=

=JAS E CLARKE

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May 11, 1934

Dr. Stewart M. Robinson,
c/o Second Presbyterian Church,
East Jersey St. near Broad,
Elizabeth, N.J.

Dear Dr. Robinson:

Mr. Monro has sent me copy of your letter of May 7 accepting the editorship of the Presbyterian. I am very glad to know this and pray that you may be blessed with success in this important undertaking.

I trust that you will be able to work closely and successfully with Dr. MacKenzie of Princeton. It seems to me that he should be a very valuable contributor to the Presbyterian and to the whole cause for which we stand.

We had a very good meeting here this week in connection with the question of union between the Presbyterian and United Presbyterian denominations. Personally I favor the union although I note the Presbyterian has recently indicated their views to the contrary, and I presume this would naturally be the attitude of Mr. Harbison and Mr. Monro. I do not know your feeling on the matter. Dr. McEwan favors the union as do many of our best Conservatives.

With personal regards and best wishes,

Very sincerely yours,

J. S. Cunningham

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DR STEWART M ROBINSON=

6043 SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ELIZABETH NJ=

EXTEND MY SINCERE GOOD WISHES AS YOU ENTER UPON EDITORSHIP OF PRESBYTERIAN REJOICING IN YOUR ADHERENCE TO FUNDAMENTAL TRUTH TRUST MAGAZINE WILL BE MORE USED THAN EVER IN STRENGTHENING HANDS OF THOSE WHO IN THESE DAYS OF DECLENSION SEEK TO STAND FAST FOR FAITH ONCE FOR ALL DELIVERED TO SAINTS=

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REV STEWART M ROBINSON=

384 SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH EAST JERSEY ST NEAR BROAD

ELIZABETH NJ=

ALL WHO ARE INTERESTED IN THE PROGRESS OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD THROUGH THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WILL HAIL WITH DELIGHT THE FUTURE POLICY OF THE PRESBYTERIAN AS EMBODIED IN YOUR SPLENDID ANNOUNCEMENT STOP WHAT IS NEEDED TODAY IS SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP IN TERMS OF IDEALS AND IDEAS STOP GIVE THE PRESBYTERIANS LIGHT AND THEY WILL FIND THEIR OWN WAY=

JOHN MCDOWELL.

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THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, N. J.

May 18, 1934

My dear Robinson:-

The present issue of the Presbyterian contains the interesting announcement of your appointment as Editor in Chief. Allow me to express the gratification which your friends feel in your appointment, and let me express to you my cordial congratulations and very best wishes.

Yours faithfully,

Charles R. Erdman

The Rev. Stewart M. Robinson, D.D.,
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

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HUGH R. MONRO
PRESIDENT

October 15, 1934

Rev. S. M. Robinson, D. D.,
Second Presbyterian Church,
Elizabeth, N. J.

Dear Doctor Robinson:

I have read the letter from Doctor Brooks with considerable interest, also your outline of the situation as revealed at the meeting last week.

I have no means of knowing what the probabilities are of carrying such an arrangement through, but it seems to me entirely consistent and reasonable. As I understand it, practically all of the denominations find it necessary to either maintain a church publication as a channel of information or subsidize rather heavily more or less independent publications. Such a channel of publicity is necessary to the proper functioning of the denominational machinery, and hence a legitimate and necessary expense.

What has happened in the case of The Presbyterian is that you have personally been carrying this burden for t he denomination, and the activities of the Church have been presented each week on a scale which would normally cost the Boards a large sum, but actually with nothing but a very small advertising patronage in return.

I would deprecate, of course, any form of subsidy for which no adequate return was received, but it is obvious that the payment of $5,000 to The Presbyterian would afford more space and desirable promotion than twice that sum invested in printed matter or in a Board publication.

I see no reason why we should not give Dr. Brooks the information which he requests. If they do not take favorable action, it does not appear that any damage would be done and surely we can make a much better showing than the Banner. An appropriation of the amount indicated would, I estimate, just about make up the deficit of The Presbyterian, and I gather from your letter that if this appropriation is not made the Banner will likely go out of existence.

Yours sincerely,

Hugh R. Monro

The Presbyterian Church in the United States of America

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November 1, 1934

Rev. James H. Snowden, D.D., Editor,
"The Presbyterian Banner"

Rev. Stewart Robinson, D.D., Editor,
"The Presbyterian"

Dear Brethren:

At the meeting of the General Council held on October 24th, 1934, a report was made to the General Council by the Special Committee on Church Publications concerning the conference held in the office of the General Assembly on October 12th at which you were both present.

The portion of the Special Committee's report which is of interest to you reads as follows:

"This Committee has endeavored unavailingly in the year and a half of its existence to carry out the plans of a former special committee of the General Council and to aid in the consolidation of the three Church papers published as of our denomination. It was about ready to give up the task and ask to be discharged when the Moderator and Stated Clerk summoned it to a conference in the Office of the General Assembly on October 12th to consider a proposition made by the Editor of the Banner, Dr. Snowden, to increase the advertising allotment of the Council and the Boards to $5,000 a year for each of the Church papers. The Presbyterian was represented by Dr. Robinson, its editor. The Boards of National Missions, Christian Education and Pensions were represented. The Presbyterian Tribune was not represented. Dr. Snowden declared the financial situation of the Banner to be rather precarious and that unless the Church through its official agencies came to its aid it would be very likely to have to suspend publication. Dr. Robinson said the Presbyterian was also greatly in need of aid. A full discussion of the proposition was had and the Chairman was instructed on motion of Dr. Harold McAfee Robinson, to secure a statement from each of the three papers of net circulation, circulation among ministers, and a balance sheet as of October 1st. Letters requesting this information were dispatched that day. Only one answer has been received and that from the Banner.

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Therefore the Committee is not yet ready to recommend any answer to this request of Dr. Snowden."

Yours sincerely,

L. S. Mudge

Lewis S. Mudge,
Secretary
of the
General Council.

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